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Claims 1-20 are pending in the subject application. By this Amendment, the applicants have amended claim 1, have canceled claims 2-7 and 20, and have withdrawn claims 10-19 due to the Restriction Requirement. Support for these amendments can be found throughout the specification. Accordingly, claims 1, 8 and 9 are before the Examiner for consideration.

The amendments and claim cancellations set forth herein have been done in an effort to expedite prosecution and focus the claims on subject matter that was indicated to be allowable in the parent case. Favorable consideration of the claims now presented in respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account 19-0065.

The Applicants invite the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any aspect of this amendment.

Respectfully submitted,



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